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## Ms. Greene.

I am the Project Coordinator for Lower Passaic River Cooperating Parties Group (CPG). The CPG is conducting the RM 10.9 Removal Action on the Lower Passaic River (near its confluence with Third River) adjacent to Riverside Co. Park in Lyndhurst Twp, Bergen Co. NJ under the supervision of EPA Region 2. The RM 10.9 Removal Action started last summer (2013) and was scheduled to be completed in the fall of 2013; however a series of delays mainly related to bridge closures on the river and more recently adverse weather conditions have delayed completion. The dredging and transport of ~16,000 cy of sediment was completed last fall. As part of a cap - a sand and activated carbon layer was applied to the ~5 acre removal area late last year. Completion of the cap construction includes the placement of geotextile, an armor stone layer and sand habitat layer over the active layer. As previously noted, weather related delays have prevented completion of this work through much of January and February 2014.

The CPG's contractors were able to remobilize to the Removal Area last week and are planning to start the geotextile and armor stone as soon as today. The CPG's contractors estimate that they will require approximately 6 weeks to complete this work. The work on the river would include daily barge movements of stone and sand as well as placement of these materials on the Removal Area.

It is our understanding that a fish window for the Lower Passaic window starts on March 1 and continues until June 30.

I would like to discuss with you on how the CPG and its contractors can continue with this work.

Please contact me at 215-806-7688 or 215-348-3474.

Thank you for your time.

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